

**PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 453**

**HOUSE BILL NO. 2012**

**By Representative Kernell**

**Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2138**

**By Senator Harper**

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 37, Chapter 5, relative to the department of children's services.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-29-227(a), is amended by deleting subdivision (13) in its entirety.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-29-229(a) is amended by adding a new subdivision thereto, as follows:

( ) Department of children's services, created by § 37-5-101;

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 37-5-516(e), is amended by designating the current language as subdivision (1) and by adding the following language as a new subdivision (2):

(2) Except as otherwise provided in this section, in making appointments to the standards committee, the department shall strive to ensure that the membership of the standards committee includes a balance of representatives of the regulated industry and persons whose expertise would be of assistance to the departments. The department shall appoint child advocates, social workers, attorneys, and other such persons with knowledge and expertise in the specified area, as well as citizen members to the committee.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

**PASSED: June 4, 2007**



JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RON RAMSEY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 18th day of June 2007



PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR